



# PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jin-Yi PAN

Art Unit: 2633

Application No.: 09/390,910

Examiner: Alex H. Chan

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FULLY UTILIZING AVAILABLE OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SPECTRUM IN OPTICAL NETWORKS

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 1, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2003, having been duly extended from March 1, 2004, until June 1, 2004, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. This response complies with the amendment format as set forth in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 dated June 30, 2003.

**Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.**

**Amendments to the claims are submitted on page 4.**

**Remarks are submitted on page 15.**